

WEATHER FORECAST.

Generally fair to-day and to-morrow;
moderate to fresh west winds.
Highest temperature yesterday, 82; lowest, 68.
Detailed weather reports will be found on editorial page.

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WITHIN 300 MILES
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300 PER CENT. JUMP IN PISTOL PERMITS; ENRIGHT TO EXPLAIN

Meyer Committee Will Call
Commissioner in Search
for Reason.

DENIED CRIME WAVE

Rewards Paid for Recovery
of Lost or Stolen Cars
Being Traced.

CHECK TO BE THOROUGH

Legislative Investigators Plan
Wide Police Inquiry When
Public Hearings Open.

The examination of the records of the Police Department which is being made by the investigators attached to the joint legislative committee of which Senator Schuyler M. Meyer is chairman, has developed several interesting things about which the committee expects to question Commissioner Richard E. Enright closely when it begins its public hearings, probably on June 22.

One of these is the fact that during the year 1920 no less than 24,495 permits to carry firearms, practically all of them for pistol permits, were issued to citizens by the Police Department. This extraordinary number of permits, an increase of almost 300 per cent. over the number issued in previous years, should be explained, members of the committee believe, and they know of nobody who can explain it better than Commissioner Enright.

On January 2, 1920, renewals of existing permits were taken out by 6,297 persons. During the month of January thereafter many other renewals were made at the rate of 300 or more a day. But when all the renewals desired had been made the practice of granting permits of almost wholesale fashion continued, and throughout the year, the records show, permits were issued to 100 and more applicants a day after day throughout the twelve months of 1920. The grand total at the close of the year showed that almost 25,000 persons not members of the Police Department or otherwise authorized to carry a pistol had obtained such licenses.

Fee Goes to Pension Fund.

Under the Sullivan act, as it is known, no person may carry a pistol except officers of the city, State or Federal governments duly authorized to do so, without a permit issued by the Police Department, for which a fee of \$1 is charged. This fee is turned in to the Police Pension Fund. During the public agitation last year over the "crime wave" which Commissioner Enright said did not exist except in the imagination of the newspapers, Mayor Hylan, it is understood, gave orders that as little red tape as possible be placed in the way of any respectable citizen desiring a pistol permit. Hundreds of merchants, banking concerns and other firms whose employees had to carry valuable goods or large sums of cash, then applied for permits and they were granted.

But that the number of pistol permits should have risen to the unprecedented figure of almost 25,000 is not, in the opinion of some of the committee's staff, explainable simply by letting down the bars which had been placed around the issuance of these permits. It would appear as though everybody who thought he would like to carry a pistol walked into Police Headquarters, plunked down a dollar bill and walked out with the treasured bit of paper.

How many men with criminal records obtained such permits the committee's counsel would like to know, and what the real object was in issuing such wholesale permits. If it was because Commissioner Enright felt there really was a "crime wave" that it was best to arm every citizen who thought he ought to be armed, the committee would like to know that also, and what other steps the Commissioner took to suppress the supposed "crime wave."

Rewards Being Traced.

While examining the police records, the committee's investigators also are tracing the amount of the "rewards" which were paid to members of the department last year for the recovery of lost or stolen automobiles. This is a subject into which Charles E. Whitman, a special assistant to District Attorney Swann, delved deeply, with the assistance of James E. Smith of the District Attorney's staff. Now Mr. Smith has been detailed to work with the Meyer committee, and his efforts always have been police matters, the work of handling the examination of the department records has been placed in his charge.

Mr. Smith, following the instructions of Chairman Meyer, refuses to talk about the progress of his investigation. But the presence in the committee's room at 35 Park Row last week of George B. Hawthorne, bookkeeper at Police Headquarters, disclosed the trend of the inquiry. A tabulation is being made of all rewards which detectives of the automobile squad were otherwise allowed to accept, and comparison is being made of these with the payments made by check and in cash by various insurance companies and others who make a business of tracing lost automobiles. It is believed that there were hundreds of cases of rewards paid where no report was made officially to headquarters by the officers who received them, and this the Police Pension and Police Relief funds, which should receive 10 and 40 per cent. respectively of all such rewards, failed to benefit as they should.

As the result of Mr. Whitman's partial investigation of this matter several indictments were returned against police detectives, several members of the automobile squad being involved. The committee's inquiry will not touch these.

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TO GET INTO RUSSIA**

Arrives in Berlin on His Way
Back From Riga.

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FUME PARTIES DISAGREE.

ROME, June 12.—The various political parties in Rome have been unable to reach an amicable adjustment of their differences and have appealed to the Italian Government to intervene. As a result the Italian Government has appointed Major Foschini high commissioner to Rome and he will endeavor to restore normal conditions.

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Lenine's Brother Takes Bela Kun's Crimean Job

By the Associated Press.
CONSTANTINOPLE, June 12.—M. Ulanoff, a brother of Nikolai Lenine, the Russian Soviet Premier (whose real name is Vladimir Ilyich Ulanoff), has succeeded Bela Kun, the former Hungarian Communist dictator, as Soviet High Commissioner for the Crimea.

TRACE 4 ASSASSINS IN KABER MURDER

12 Persons Now Named in Connection With Mysterious Killing of Cleveland Man.

\$500 THE ALLEGED PRICE

Wife of Slain Man Denies All
Recently Developed Evidence Against Her.

CLEVELAND, June 12.—Twelve persons have been named in connection with the murder of Daniel F. Kaber, stabbed to death two years ago, for which crime Mrs. Eva Catherine Kaber, his wife; Miss Marian McArdle, his stepdaughter, and Mrs. Mary Brickel, 49 years old, mother-in-law, are under indictment.

Other developments, the authorities say, were that four hired assassins were in the party which inflicted the twenty-four wounds in Kaber's abdomen, and that \$500, part of a stipulated sum alleged to have been promised by Mrs. Kaber for the assassination of her husband, had been paid.

Prosecutor Stanton and Chief Smith declared they had obtained admissions several days ago that the \$500 bill had been paid to her by another woman, a fortune teller, who is alleged to have acted as "go-between."

The \$500, according to the alleged confession, was paid to the midwife after she had called Mrs. Kaber on the telephone and told her the men were getting impatient and that she feared she might be killed if they were not paid.

Mrs. Ethel Burnham, who before Dan Kaber's murder had been a friend of Mrs. Kaber and who afterward continued the acquaintance, furnished the investigators with evidence which revealed that an envelope containing \$500 had been left with the fortune teller when Mrs. Kaber left for New York after the murder.

When the fortune teller was confronted with Mrs. Burnham she at first denied any knowledge of the money, and said she never had seen Mrs. Burnham, the authorities say, but later admitted she had seen Mrs. Burnham with Mrs. Kaber and admitted having handled an envelope.

The midwife amplified her story and also admitted the police say, that she called Mrs. Kaber on the telephone and told her the men were getting anxious for their money.

There were four of these, she said, and she supplied their names. Two were lookouts and two went inside the house, according to her story to the police. Mrs. Kaber told her, the police say she informed them, that the money would be paid as soon as the estate was settled.

Mrs. Kaber, when confronted by Mrs. Burnham and questioned as to the disclosures the latter made, denied them in practically every detail. She also denied some of the admissions which she had made to Chief of Police Peter S. Christensen in New York.

A man held for several days under suspicion of being the "man with the cap" was released by the police to-day. Another man under arrest admitted, the police say, that Mrs. Kaber offered him an automobile if he would use it to "run over Dan Kaber." This he refused to do, he told the police, but admitted she had offered him a pistol and a dollar bill and walked out with the treasured bit of paper.

BEST TIME IN HISTORY TO INVEST ONE'S LIFE

Dr. MacCall So Declares in
Baccalaureate Sermon.

PHILADELPHIA, June 12.—Dr. Alexander MacCall, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of this city, told graduates of the University of Pennsylvania in his baccalaureate sermon to-day that there never has been such a time as the present in which to invest a life.

Two out of every three persons in the world have still to be taught to read and write," he said. "Were you taken sick in vast areas of the world today, they would treat you as a pest. It would not be that of sorcery and incantations."

"Of the 1,600,000,000 persons said to be in the world, 1,000,000,000 are untouched by Christian civilization, possible helpers every man of them in the making of a better world, possible enemies of all that is high and noble in human society."

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FATHER IDENTIFIES BODY OF KIDNAPPED CHILD BY HIS TEETH

Varotta Told Boy Was Not
Murdered Before Being
Thrown in Hudson.

WEEPS OVER CORPSE

Cries Out That if He Had
Had Money Little One
Might Not Have Died.

BREAKS NEWS TO WIFE

Five More Are Detained, but
Police Have Not Reached
Bottom of Plot.

Salvatore Varotta removed yesterday whatever doubt the authorities had that the body of the boy found in the Hudson River Saturday at Piermont, N. Y., near Nyack, was that of his five-year-old son, Giuseppe, who was kidnapped three weeks ago from his home, 353 East Thirtieth street. A hole between a blackened tooth and its perfect neighbor in the front of the boy's mouth made the identification certain.

While Varotta was scanning the body in Raymond Bohr's morgue in Nyack the detectives in New York were subjecting three men arrested yesterday morning, but not yet charged with connection with the case, to an examination that left both the prisoners and the policemen exhausted. In the meantime other detectives renewed their attack upon the five sullen Italians who were arrested at the Varotta home June 3, while demanding ransom for the child. The three arrested yesterday morning are Salvatore Troia, 614 East Fourteenth street; Vincenzo Battaglia, same address, and Giuseppe Palastro, 284 Avenue A. The detectives say that each of the men possessed firearms. Magistrate Sweetser held them in \$5,000 bail each on charges of violating the Sullivan law.

As a result of their prolonged examination of the five men arrested June 3 Detectives Festa and Sileo of the Italian squad took to Police Headquarters a man they believe to be Tony Succilli at his home, 350 East Thirtieth street, last night. Succilli is a chauffeur, as is Varotta. With him to Police Headquarters the detectives took a batch of letters, telegrams and other papers they found in his room.

Got Tip From Suspect.

They held him for examination, despite the fact he raved deliriously at first and then lapsed into a stolid calm, refusing to reply to any question. He was locked up for the night.

Later a second neighbor of the Varottas was taken down to headquarters. He was described as Joseph Margolli, 17, a printer, of 348 East Thirtieth street. Detective Fischetti said he would be taken before Assistant District Attorney Dineen to-day.

There are now in the hands of the police ten men who are expected to show the way to a solution of the mystery. Giuseppe Varotta was not killed before being thrown into the river. This, according to Assistant District Attorney Dineen, merely adds to the difficulty that faces the police. There is no way of knowing whether the boy was thrown into the water, whether he was released by his captors and fell into the river while running away or whether he escaped and met the same sort of fate. Dr. Otto H. Schultz, medical assistant to District Attorney Swann, performed the autopsy yesterday and reported that there was no indication of strangulation. He said there were no fractures and no cuts or bruises that were not gained when the body came into contact with driftwood and shoals in the river. But to make certain, the doctor took the brain and the lungs to the laboratories at Bellevue and will examine them for poison to-day.

POLICE CERTAIN OF MURDER.

The police say that the chance that the boy was not murdered is so remote as to be unworthy of consideration. They say they have no clue to where the lad was taken to Rockland County, or whether he was merely carried up the Hudson in a launch and then thrown overboard. They add that this is the first kidnapping case in New York to end in murder. Dr. Schultz says that it is hardly possible to state how long the boy has been dead. He says that his guess would be a week, or even less.

When Salvatore Varotta gave the police the letter in which his and their lives were threatened by the writers, who demanded that the five men arrested June 3 be released, he turned over yet another letter. This second letter conveyed the news that the man who had his son had released; that they no longer demanded \$5,000, nor even \$2,500.

"We need a Buick," he wrote. "The price of a Buick," the letter read. Then it went on to say, according to Varotta, that all he needed to do was to produce the price of the desired motor car and he would walk home."

"And I have not a dollar now," said Varotta. "The men who came for the money a week ago come for \$500, part of which was my savings and part I borrowed. Now the police have that, and I am with no money at all. I tell the undertaker who is bringing home the body of Giuseppe that I have no money. He says to me, 'All right, but later I can pay. And they want the money for an automobile for my boy—a Buick. Not even a Ford could I have given them.'"

The letter, not mailed, but slipped beneath the door of the Varotta flat, bade

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Wilson to Keep His Ideals Actively Before the Public

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Former President Wilson, in receiving to-day a delegation of Princeton University students, was quoted as saying he plans to "keep his ideals actively before the public."

The former President and Mrs. Wilson received four Princeton undergraduates, representing the Woodrow Wilson Society of Princeton. L. C. Woods, Jr., of Pennsylvania presented a letter signed by 600 Princeton students promising efforts for "due recognition by members of all parties to Woodrow Wilson as Princeton's foremost graduate for his leadership of America during the trying times of peace and war and for the courage and idealism he showed in endeavoring to promote the peace of the world."

FIRE ON STEAMSHIP FOLLOWS SABOTAGE

Buckeye State Forced to Turn
Back to Baltimore After
Putting Out Flames.

HELD UP ONCE BEFORE

Strikers Suspected of Stuffing
Waste in Pipes and Doing
Damage to Machinery.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
BALTIMORE, June 12.—A fire this morning in the engine room of the steamship Buckeye State while the vessel was off Annapolis outward bound caused sufficient damage to prevent the vessel continuing her voyage and she is being brought back to Baltimore for examination.

The officers ascribe the fire to a flashback in the forward fire room. It was discovered at 8:30 o'clock and extinguished by the crew, who flooded the engine room.

Two Shipping Board tugs came to the vessel's assistance and are now standing by. The statement is made that no definite information on the extent of the damage can be given until the water is pumped out of the engine room.

The inference is that in the haste to get away following the discovery yesterday that the engines had been tampered with the machinery had not been properly repaired, and with a comparatively inexperienced crew the vessel was not properly safeguarded.

The Buckeye State was on her maiden voyage, and was to have left for San Francisco and other Pacific points on June 10, but had been held here since that time by the strike. Preparations finally were made for sailing yesterday, but when the hour came it was found her engines had been disabled. She finally left Baltimore about daybreak to-day.

On Friday the machinery was tested and everything was found to be in perfect working condition. Ten minutes before sailing hour the propellers were started for a brief final test and it was found that the machinery had been disabled.

When the propellers started to turn almost all the fires went out, and it was found that the pipes to the big oil burners had been choked with waste and other substances and the unions, joints and oil cups throughout the extensive oil system connected with the big burners had been tampered with.

The electric system seemed to have been wrecked also. It refused to work. Later it was decided to tow the Buckeye State from her moorings at Locust Point to the Western Maryland Railway piers at Port Covington. This required only a few minutes, but on the trip the lights went out twice. After a short stay at Port Covington she was towed to where she lay until the trip was started this morning.

ARREST AMERICAN IN IMMIGRATION SWINDLE

Accused of Getting Them Out
of French Port.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
PARIS, June 12.—The French immigration police to-day arrested Peter Bore, 27 years of age, a German, but a resident of San Francisco since childhood, on a charge of swindling immigrants while held in quarantine. Bore is said to be a member of a gang which is continually crossing the Atlantic and charging outrageous sums for aiding foreigners through Ellis Island.

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OIL TANK AFIRE, BURSTS AND SPREADS DEATH

Fatalities May Reach Eight
and Loss \$1,000,000.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 12.—At least six others dead, the probability of at least twenty-five injured, many others unaccounted for and a property loss of nearly \$1,000,000 was the toll of the fire which started Saturday night at the plant of the Utah Oil Refining Company near a bolt of lightning struck a tank containing 1,500,000 gallons of gasoline distillate.

The loss of life came between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning, when the tank, which had been burning fiercely all night, burst, scattering its contents with deadly results.

FIFTH AVENUE HOME OF VINCENT ASTOR ROBBED OF JEWELS

Police Kept Secret \$10,000
to \$20,000 Theft Com-
mitted June 4.

CRIME IN AFTERNOON

Sneak Thief Entered by Ser-
vants' Door and Left by
Main Entrance.

DETECTIVES GET NO CLUE

Criminal Not Seen by Anybody
in Household; Was a
Noiseless Worker.

A sneak thief who evidently had planned his job long ahead and waited patiently for the opportunity to work unwatched, robbed the Fifth avenue home of Vincent Astor on June 4, taking jewelry and other valuables worth from \$10,000 to \$20,000. The man entered through the servants' door, spent the afternoon in the upper floors of the house and then left by the main entrance and lost himself in the maze of traffic on Fifth avenue.

Within a few hours the robbery was discovered. Detective Frank Dishley and other members of the squad assigned for duty at the East Sixty-seventh street station have been searching the city ever since for the thief and the jewelry. They have had no success. The case is in charge of Inspector John D. Coughlin, commanding the detective division. Acting on instructions from Police Headquarters, the police of the East Sixty-seventh street station have tried to keep the robbery secret.

Small Pieces Taken.

It was learned, however, that the property missing from the house at 840 Fifth avenue consists mostly of small pieces of jewelry. Included are several watches. It is understood that the thief stole bracelets and rings belonging to Mrs. Astor, as well as articles of jewelry belonging to R. Peters, said to be a cousin of Mr. Astor.

From the stories related by servants it is assumed that the thief entered the house some time between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon after waiting in the neighborhood for an opportunity.

The man had selected the servants' entrance as the best for his purpose because it opens on Sixty-fifth street and is far enough away from Fifth avenue to permit a person to enter without attracting the notice of chance passersby in the thoroughfare. Once inside the door the man must have taken advantage of the absence of servants from the hallway. He quickly went to the stairs and by slow stages and carefully walking and dodging reached the third floor and the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. Astor and Mr. Peters.

Servants, so the police learned, it was said last night, were continuously passing up and down stairs and through the halls of the third floor, but none went to the rooms. The thief continued at his unwatched and unheard, and late in the afternoon—no one knows at what time—he walked downstairs to the main hall, threw open the front door, and passed into Fifth avenue. The police believe he carried the jewelry away in his pockets.

Search by Mr. Astor.

Early in the evening Mr. Astor came home and prepared for an evening engagement, going immediately to his room to dress. The disappearance of a set of shirt studs aroused his suspicions, with the result that he began a search of the rooms and discovered that every one of them had been ransacked.

That night Inspector Coughlin was notified and the long list of stolen articles was given to the detectives. None of them has yet been found in the search of the pawnshops.

The detectives are completely mystified by the daring of the thief. He is believed to be an uncommonly clever crook. He left no finger prints in the Astor home, so far as could be learned. Since the detective's bent was on the mystery they have questioned many of the Astor servants as to whether any of them ever noticed a strange man loitering near the house. It is believed possible that the thief did his watching from Central Park and that he never permitted himself to be seen by the Astor employees.

Mr. Astor could not be reached last night. Servants at the house said he and Mrs. Astor were out of town.

BIG OIL TAX JUSTIFIED, SAY MEXICO OFFICIALS

Indications of Resenting
American Protests.

MEXICO CITY, June 12.—Rumors of protests by American oil men in Mexico against the decree of President Obregon imposing a tax of 25 per cent. on petroleum exports have resulted in a flood of official comment, which is aimed at showing that the Mexican Government is justified in assessing the new tax.

The international situation arising from the question of American recognition of Mexico was described by various officials here to-day as unchanged.

Country Boards Wanted

Now is the time to find that charming place to live in the country. See The Herald's Country Board Want Ads for many nearby places within convenient distance from New York City.

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SIMS SAYS RECALL MESSAGE DID NOT CHANGE HIS PLANS; DENBY KNEW HE WAS COMING

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BEFORE leaving the Hotel Carlton this evening Admiral William S. Sims told THE NEW YORK HERALD correspondent that his orders from Washington came too late to enable him to catch the Celtic, which left at 9 o'clock this morning from Queenstown, and that he intended to abide by his original plan of sailing Wednesday on the Olympic, which is the next vessel.

The Admiral did not say whether the orders to which he referred included the recall message sent to him by Secretary of the Navy Denby from Washington yesterday.

[The message from the Secretary, as announced in Washington on Saturday, said: "Remainder your leave revoked. You will return to the United States immediately and report at once in person to the Secretary of the Navy. Acknowledge."]

Admiral Sims said naturally he would have no further statements to make until he had conferred with Secretary Denby, but regarding his sailing he said:

"They know in Washington that I am leaving on the Olympic Wednesday. They always knew I was going home. This message does nothing to change my plans. I shall carry out my programme just as I had planned it."

SOVIET CONCESSIONS TO VANDERLIP VOID

Krassine Says Bolsheviki Seek
'More Serious Relations'
Outside.

DEFAULT IN OLD DEAL

Declares Foreign Capitalists
Will Be Protected in Rus-
sian Exploitation.

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Leonid Krassine, Russian Soviet Minister of Commerce and Trade, to-day confirmed the report that the concessions obtained by Washington B. Vanderlip of California were void because his backers had failed to put up the cash necessary to seal the contract.

In an interview given to the correspondent of the *Petit Parisien*, Krassine admitted that the Bolsheviki had promised the Kamschatka concessions to Vanderlip merely "as a matter of principle," but that they are now seeking more serious relations with both American and European financiers. He particularly mentioned the Westinghouse corporation which for three years has remained unnationalized in Russia.

Krassine said the desire of foreign capitalists for Russia's natural riches would result in Russia obtaining their aid for trade restoration, and that the Soviets would guarantee the protection of foreign interests because of their great need of administration experts.

According to the correspondent, Krassine said Russia's internal debt would liquidate itself, as the Soviets would "print enough bank notes so that the money no longer would be taken seriously. Then the people themselves will destroy this mass of valueless paper and the situation will be cleared."

"The capitalists are assured of the good faith of the Soviets," Krassine added, "because the Soviets never have wronged those working under agreements with them, and if the Soviets are overthrown, their successors certainly will be less radical and will protect the capitalists. But principally because the Soviets need the capitalists; they would not interfere or confiscate, because what they want is not machines but the men who can make them go."

Krassine declared that foreign purchase contracts placed by Russia amounted to \$10,000,000 in the United States, \$5,000,000 in Great Britain, \$5,000,000 in Sweden and \$3,000,000 in Germany.

"But our gold reserves have a limit," he added, "and as our exports still are negligible we must resort to concessions of which only one, that with the Svenska Kugellager Fabrik, has been signed. But others are pending."

"We are looking westward in order to establish our hegemony in Russia," he continued. "We are expecting not only material aid in the form of manufactured objects but mechanical aid, such as the advice of specialists capable of exploiting our prodigious riches. You will see very shortly the formation of a great international consortium which will be ready to exploit our wealth and thanks to it the Soviet Government will triumph over all its difficulties."

While not envisaging French cooperation in such a movement, Krassine declared that he was ready not only to place orders in France but was willing to open discussions on the recognition of the debts of the old regime (largely the Imperial Russian bonds, the bulk of which are held in France), declaring that Lenin's recent change in tactics in an effort to induce the friendship of the world's capitalists proves that Lenin, and not Trotsky, has the real vision of Russia's future progress and evolution.

BIG RATTLESNAKE KILLED.

Largest Seen in Sullivan County
in Fifteen Years.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
MIDDLETON, N. Y., June 12.—Lewis H. Weed, game protector of Walker Valley, has killed a rattlesnake at Glenaspis, Sullivan county, measuring four feet and four inches, with thirteen rattles. Inside the rattler was found a chipmunk.

Old residents say this is the largest rattler killed in Sullivan county in fifteen years.

LONDON CONTINUES TO LIONIZE ADMIRAL

Naval Officer's Friends Show
More Anxiety Over His Pre-
dicament Than He Does.

HARVEY IS HOST TO-NIGHT

'Daily News' Calls Speech Mis-
chievous—'Express' Says Its
'Honest to God American.'

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Rear Admiral Sims will sail for home on the Olympic on Wednesday as he planned. He continues to keep his appointments and is lionized in the same manner as has marked his reception here from the first. Admiral Sims is dining to-night with Lord and Lady Swythling at their home in the fashionable Kensington Court district.

After receiving the cable message from the Secretary of the Navy yesterday, Admiral Sims went to the dinner of the Thames Royal Yacht Club in Piccadilly, where he was the guest of honor. To-morrow night he will be the guest of Ambassador and Mrs. George Harvey at Chesham place.

Admiral Sims's multitude of friends here are showing greater anxiety over his predicament than he himself. His outward displays, many have expressed themselves as regarding the affair as an unfortunate misunderstanding of Admiral Sims's spirit. They regard his words in the questioned speech as being due to his frankness in all things and there is a deep affection between him and the British people.

The newspaper press has been giving great prominence to the Sims affair but has refrained from editorial comment, except to reprint American comments. The *Sunday Express* cites parallel and similar traits of frankness in Lord Fisher and Admiral Berezford and says: "He has dared to speak out against those who are enemies of England. He returns to America honored and beloved of England, and we feel certain that even those members of the Admiralty who have deemed it politically expedient to recall him will realize that in this blunt, outspoken son of the great Republic they have an Ambassador who has done an immeasurable service to the great cause of the English speaking nations."

It was learned to-night from Southampton that the advance list of Olympic passengers issued yesterday does not include the name of Admiral Sims.

LONDON, June 12 (Monday).—The editorial silence of the London daily press on the Sims incident was broken this morning by two papers. The *Daily News* declares that it takes no pleasure in any phase of the incident.